

local, as well as Federal, courts. During the last year, the FBI Laboratory received specimens of evidence from authorities in all 50 states and conducted over 240,000 examinations. Many of these examinations resulted in the identification of wrong-doers for local police agencies. Others were helpful in establishing the innocence of persons considered suspects in particular crimes.

In the more than three decades since the FBI Laboratory was established, the use of the searching, probing light of science in the field of law enforcement has resulted in higher standards of performance, conduct and efficiency. Never has there been a deeper respect for the rights and privileges of all citizens-- because now, as never before, agencies throughout the law enforcement profession recognize that far better and more reliable results can be obtained with the test tube and the comparison microscope than by threats, intimidation and duress.

Science has truly become one of our most effective weapons in the battle against crime. With this in mind, the FBI Laboratory is constantly on the alert to new developments in the scientific field and conducts continuing research to improve its techniques and equipment. It is of utmost importance that all law enforcement be afforded the latest advancements of science in its fight against crime.

June 2, 1964

BANK ROBBERY


Crimes against banking institutions--robberies, burglaries and larcenies--are increasing at an alarming rate. There were 91 percent more such crimes in 1963 than in 1960.

This is an actual increase, not inflated by an extension of the Federal Bank Robbery and Incidental Crimes Statute to cover more institutions. The last change in the law was made in 1959. There are, however, far more opportunities for such crimes with the tremendous spread of branch banks and new institutions.

The FBI is charged with investigating violations of the Federal law relating to crimes against banking institutions. In 1960 it noticed a definite trend in these crimes, a trend which spelled trouble unless quick action was taken. To meet this threat, the FBI held a series of conferences on bank robbery throughout the country in 1961. It warned other law enforcement agencies and representatives of the banking industry to expect more and more robberies, burglaries and larcenies. With local and state law enforcement agencies it reviewed and revamped the coordinated plan of action to be taken in the event of such a crime. To the banking officials it made certain recommendations

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for the security of their institutions and the money entrusted to them.

Various banking associations concurred in these suggestions.

For various reasons many of these suggestions were ignored. The net result was a great influx of small banking institutions in lightly policed suburban areas with little or no security measures of their own--open invitations to robbers and other thieves. Statistics record that they are accepting the invitations in ever-increasing numbers. In 1960 there were 810 bank robberies, burglaries and larcenies; in 1963 there were 1,548. And in the first five months of 1964 there were 687.

Last year the FBI again called a series of conferences on the bank robbery problem. A total of 258 conferences were held throughout the country with a total attendance of 26,964. Over 11,000 different agencies, divided about equally between law enforcement agencies and those associated with the banking industry, took part. Again the need for internal security was stressed.

Early this year the House Committee on Government Operations issued a report entitled "Crimes Against Banking Institutions," which underscored the need for banking institutions to put the FBI's suggestions for security into practice and recommended tighter control by Federal supervisory agencies to insure effective internal security.

In February, 1963, the FBI conducted a detailed survey of all the 152 bank robberies committed in November and December, 1962. No burglaries or larcenies were considered. This revealed that almost half of the banks involved were branch banks. It also showed that about half of the robbed institutions had no protective system and less than half of them used bait money (a definite aid to tracing the criminal).

Law enforcement cannot force the banking industry to provide the protection needed to effect a reduction in crimes against banking institutions. It can only point the way. This the FBI has done and continues to do.

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CIVIL RIGHTS

The jurisdiction of the FBI in the civil rights field is clearly defined by law and the FBI is specifically authorized to investigate violations of the Civil Rights Acts of 1957 and 1960. Every civil rights complaint receives the thorough, prompt, and impartial attention of the FBI. Where no Federal law within the FBI's jurisdiction is involved, the FBI will not and cannot investigate. The FBI neither exceeds its authority nor shirks its responsibilities.

Nowhere in civil rights legislation outlining the jurisdiction of the FBI in civil rights cases does the FBI have jurisdiction to police demonstrations or to provide protection for demonstrators. Protection of the lives and property of individuals is and has been traditionally a matter for local police authorities. When FBI Agents are present at the scene of a civil disturbance, their primary responsibility is to collect evidence. It is not their duty to make a decision on the scene as to the possible violation of civil rights laws. This decision rightly falls on the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice which receives expeditiously the results of the investigations of FBI Agents on the scene of the disturbance.

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The FBI has conducted investigations involving more than 100 counties where racial discrimination in voting allegedly exists. Thousands of interviews have been conducted in these cases, and photographic copies have been made of hundreds of thousands of pertinent records.

The results of these investigations have continually been furnished to the Department of Justice; and based upon them, the Department has filed ~~over~~ 61 suits in counties of several southern states for the purpose of ending racial discrimination in voting.

As a result of FBI investigations and court actions based thereon, additional thousands of previously disenfranchised Negroes have been enabled to register to vote in accordance with their rights under the Constitution and laws of the United States.

FBI Agents arrested Byron De La Beckwith on June 22, 1963, after identifying the right index fingerprint of Beckwith as being identical with the latent fingerprint found on the telescopic sight of a rifle which had been recovered by the Jackson, Mississippi, Police Department after the slaying of Medgar Evers, the Mississippi leader of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. This was the culmination of an extensive investigation to identify the owner of a .30'06 Enfield rifle which had a 6-power telescopic sight attached. This investigation involved most of the FBI's 55 field divisions

and the sight was traced to an individual who stated he had sold it to Beckwith. The rifle was also traced to another individual in Mississippi who stated he had sold it to Beckwith. The second trial of Beckwith ended on April 17, 1964, with the jury being unable to reach a verdict and the second mistrial was declared.

A Greyhound bus containing members of the Congress of Racial Equality who were engaged in "Freedom Ride, 1961," was completely destroyed by fire and many of its passengers were hospitalized while it was en route to Birmingham, Alabama, from Atlanta, Georgia, on May 14, 1961. FBI investigation solved this case and 6 persons were convicted for their part in this crime, despite strong public sentiment against the "Freedom Riders" and the fact that a number of persons interviewed were reluctant to furnish information.

In August and September, 1962, 5 Negro churches were burned in Georgia and firearms were discharged into several homes. Based upon indications that the purpose of these acts were to discourage Negroes from voting, the FBI instituted extensive investigations which led to the prompt solution of the burning of a church in Terrell County, Georgia, on September 17, 1962, and to the charging of 3 persons with another church burning--one near Leesburg, Georgia, on August 15, 1962.

On February 16, 1964, at 2:55 a. m., the residence of Mrs. Iona Godfrey, 3259 Gilmore Street, Jacksonville, Florida, was dynamited. Extensive property damage resulted, but none of the occupants was injured. Mrs. Godfrey's son, Donald, was the only Negro in attendance at the Lackawanna Elementary School, having enrolled there in September, 1963, pursuant to an order issued by the U. S. District Court calling for the integration of Duval County schools.

On March 4, 1964, FBI Agents at Jacksonville charged William Sterling Rosecrans, Jr., 30, of Jacksonville with the actual bombing of the Godfrey residence. And on March 12th, five additional individuals were arrested at Jacksonville and Smyrna, Tennessee, by the FBI, in connection with this bombing. All individuals concerned were charged with having conspired to threaten and intimidate Mrs. Godfrey and her son in the free exercise of their rights as guaranteed under the Constitution of the United States.

Rosecrans was sentenced on April 17, 1964, to serve a term of seven years as a result of this crime. Trial has been set for June 29, 1964, for the five other men.

June 2, 1964

FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

The FBI Identification Division was founded in July, 1924, soon after Mr. Hoover was appointed Director of the FBI. It has grown from 810,000 sets of fingerprints then to some 171,000,000 today. During fiscal year 1963 alone, a total of 5,720,537 sets of fingerprints were received, and it is estimated that some six million sets of prints will be received in 1965.

Of all the fingerprint impressions received and examined by the FBI, they have never found two fingerprints exactly alike in all details. Twins, triplets, quadruplets or even quintuplets may look, speak and act alike, but reference to their finger impressions establishes that their similarities do not extend to the patterns of the friction ridges upon their fingers.

While this national repository aids constantly in the fight against crime--an all-time high of 19,541 fugitives being sought by Federal, state and local law enforcement agencies were identified by fingerprint searches in fiscal year 1963--it frequently is responsible for the identification of amnesia and disaster victims.

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The FBI posts "Missing Person Notices" at the request of members of the immediate family; and information received by the Identification Division concerning the whereabouts of the individual involved is furnished to the interested relatives.

Along with the hundreds of requests for help in locating missing persons which the Identification Division receives each year, there are many warm human interest stories. For example, last September the FBI received an urgent plea from a mother in northern Michigan. Her son had suffered a head injury while serving in the Armed Forces and underwent brain surgery. She had heard nothing from him since February, 1961. Could the FBI render any assistance?

A thorough check of the files of the Identification Division revealed that a man who appeared identical to the missing son had been arrested in Chicago in July, 1963. This information was furnished to the distraught woman in Michigan and she was also advised that a "Missing Person Notice" had been posted. The following month, the woman wrote to advise that she had contacted authorities in Cook County, Illinois, and was successful in locating her son. (Howard F. Norris, FBI #219 738 A)

The FBI Disaster Squad--a group of fingerprint experts specially trained for identification of people who have been killed in some national disaster--has assisted in 38 disasters in which 1,598

persons have been killed during the past five years. The members of this Disaster Squad were able to obtain the fingerprints of 1,079 individuals from which they were able to make 871 identifications.

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COMMUNIST PARTY, USA

Seldom in its history has the Communist Party, USA, been more optimistic.

In this year of a national election campaign, the Party is laying careful plans to exploit the situation to its own partisan advantage. It is surveying various areas to see whether it can enter candidates either under a Party label or as independents. It is issuing propaganda publicizing the Party's views on the issues of the day -- hoping thereby to achieve attention for its views. The possibility exists that the Party might launch a program to publicize a write-in vote for Gus Hall, the Number One Communist in the United States, for President.

To prepare itself for a dynamic, aggressive, hard-hitting 1964 campaign, the Party is now reorganizing its administrative structure. The Party established a small, hard-hitting Secretariat to run the Party on a day-to-day basis. This, however, is a mere reshuffling of names and faces with power still in the hands of the old clique, headed by Hall and Elizabeth Gurley Flynn. The Party has not held a National Convention (which, according to the Party's Constitution, should be held every two years) since 1959. National Secretary Benjamin Davis, Jr., is seriously ill and it seems that the Party is grooming Claude Lightfoot as his replacement. Davis is chairman of the Party's Negro Commission and this also is an area of active interest for Lightfoot.

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The Party is thrusting hard in the civil rights field. National Party Headquarters has instructed all its Districts to urge members and sympathizers to bring pressure in this field through mass meetings, petitions, demonstrations, letters and telegrams to Congressional leaders. The Party's National Negro Commission is also active in this field. From the Party's point of view, the civil rights movement is a "revolution" and it (the Party) should use it to pursue its own aims. The Party is not sincerely interested in promoting the best interests of the Negro but only in making use of the social unrest to advance communism. The Party's instructions to its leaders are to "get in there and pitch," "Don't be scared off" by either Negro or white anticommunists. "We must give guidance to this movement."

All the while the Party is continuing an aggressive campaign in the youth field, hoping very shortly to set up a national Marxist-oriented organization for high school and college youngsters. Party leaders during the past year also conducted a highly effective speaking campaign on college campuses.

No wonder the Party is today optimistic. It feels that it is on the move.

June 2, 1964

SOVIET-BLOC ESPIONAGE

The FBI is today fighting a hard, difficult but successful campaign against a dangerous, determined and highly professional Soviet-bloc espionage assault.

This Nation is today Soviet Target Number 1. The United States is a vast reservoir of scientific, technological, and military information--data the Russians and their allies desperately would like to secure.

The FBI's experience reflects that legally accredited Soviet-bloc officials, assigned to the Embassies in Washington, D. C., and the United Nations in New York City, form the backbone of the espionage assault. It has been estimated that some 70 percent of Soviet personnel in the United States have some kind of intelligence assignment. The magnitude of the FBI's responsibilities is shown by the fact that there are over 700 Soviet-bloc diplomatic officials in the United States at the present time.

The Soviets are primarily interested in data dealing with the Nation's research in atomic energy, in rockets, the space program, aircraft, radar and other scientific and technological data.

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Their interests are all-inclusive--they are eager to lay their hands on any scrap of information they can secure. Soviet espionage can be likened to a vacuum cleaner--ready to pick up data wherever it can be found.

For this reason, we find today a purposive effort by Soviet-bloc espionage to make personal and friendly contacts with Americans, especially engineers, scientists, members of the military and Government, businessmen. They hope in these contacts to develop a "friendship"--a "friendship" which can be exploited by them to possibly secure data.

In addition, the Soviets are visiting scientific and technical conventions (hoping to meet Americans there and also collect vital data), making reconnaissance trips throughout the country, purchasing Government documents and patents, subscribing to technical and scientific magazines, joining technical societies. They have large sums of money to spend--and they will spend them--to secure data.

FBI cases reflect that the Soviets will utilize any device, legal or illegal, to secure information. Blackmail, coercion, extortion are common Soviet methods of compromise.

Espionage represents a serious danger to our American way of life. We can be thankful for the great work of the FBI.

June 2, 1964

FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY AND OTHER POLICE SCHOOLS

FBI Director John Edgar Hoover has always been convinced that trained personnel is synonymous with progressive law enforcement. Over the years since he has headed this famed organization, Mr. Hoover has put his belief on a practical working basis by constantly expanding the cooperative services the FBI accords other law enforcement agencies throughout the country. This dedication to enhancing the efficiency of law enforcement at all levels has resulted in the full facilities of the FBI together with trained instructors being made available without charge for any of the services.

One of the finest cooperative services offered by the FBI is the National Academy. Mr. Hoover established it in 1935 for the purpose of sharing with fellow officers the best techniques and the most modern strategy in police work known to the FBI. Its objective has always been that of sending highly trained instructors to both domestic and foreign police departments.

Since its founding, the Academy has graduated 4,354 officers who have come from every state in the Union, the District of

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Columbia, Puerto Rico and many foreign countries. Law enforcement officers from 41 states, the District of Columbia and 15 foreign nations made up the enrollment of the 196 officers who attended the Academy in 1963. Of the total number graduated since 1935, over 28 per cent of those still active in law enforcement are executive heads of their respective agencies.

During the 12-week training course given at the Academy, police officers are provided with an understanding of different problems and techniques and a foundation for trust and cooperation which pay handsome dividends in the fight against lawlessness. In no group will one find greater mutual respect and professional integrity than among the graduates of the FBI National Academy.

The FBI also has over 1,000 Special Agents who are qualified through training and experience to instruct other officers in various phases of law enforcement work. These men are assigned in all parts of the country and are available on request to assist in other training programs being conducted by local and state police agencies.

In 1963, these Agents participated in nearly 4,000 local and regional police training schools. Many of these schools provided basic training for recruits, while others offered advanced training for supervisory personnel, command officers, detectives and experienced officers. Specialized instruction was given in such fields as searches and seizures, making arrests, fingerprinting, firearms, defensive

tactics, photography and investigative procedures for various types of major crimes. The total attendance at these schools ran over 100,000.

All of these training services of the FBI are based on the belief that proper instruction is the most basic and essential requirement in the creation of an efficient law enforcement agency. An untrained or inadequately trained officer is a liability to a police force and a potential danger to the community he is assigned to protect. These FBI training programs give the police officer a better opportunity to successfully cope with modern-day crime.

June 2, 1964

FBI SERVICE MARTYRS

Since 1925, nineteen FBI Agents have lost their lives in the line of duty. Fourteen of these men were slain in gun battles, twelve of whom were killed by criminals who had been paroled, placed on probation or had received some type of lenient consideration from the courts.

The first FBI Agent killed in the line of duty was Special Agent Edwin C. Shanahan who was murdered in Chicago, Illinois, on October 11, 1925, by Martin J. Durkin. As Agent Shanahan attempted to arrest Durkin, a notorious car thief who had previously wounded four police officers to avert capture, the fugitive pulled a gun from his car and shot the Agent to death. Durkin had been arrested on numerous occasions for burglary, car theft, assault and escape; the most he had received was a \$10 fine.

Special Agent Raymond J. Caffrey was one of the victims of the "Kansas City Massacre" on June 17, 1933. Three Kansas City police officers were also killed, and two other FBI Agents wounded. The assassins, Verne Miller, "Pretty Boy" Floyd and Adam Richetti, all had lengthy criminal records and were known killers. Richetti and Miller were paroled convicts.

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Special Agent W. Carter Baum was killed in performance of duty on April 22, 1934, by Dillinger accomplice, "Baby Face" Nelson, a thrice-paroled convict. Seven months later, Special Agent Herman E. Hollis and Inspector Samuel P. Cowley also met their deaths at the hands of Nelson near Barrington, Illinois.

In the middle and late 1930's, four more FBI Agents were killed by long-time criminals. These were Special Agents Nelson B. Klein, Wimberly W. Baker, Truett E. Rowe and William R. Ramsey, all mortally wounded while attempting to apprehend gunmen who had previously been paroled, placed on probation, or had been the recipients of judicial leniency.

On July 26, 1952, Special Agent Joseph John Brock was gunned down in a New York City hotel during the apprehension of Gerhard Arthur Puff, one of the FBI's "Ten Most Wanted" fugitives. Puff, whose criminal career included theft, assault, and armed robbery, had been placed on probation in connection with one of his offenses.

On September 26, 1953, Special Agent John Brady Murphy died as a result of wounds received in a gun battle with John Elgin Johnson the day before in a Baltimore, Maryland, movie theater. At the time Johnson was a conditional release violator; he had previously

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served a term in Alcatraz for assault with intent to kill a Federal officer. His long criminal career also included convictions for larceny, burglary and bank robbery.

On April 18, 1957, Special Agent Richard P. Horan died at the hands of Francis Kolakowski, a fugitive wanted for Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution for murder. With the slaying of Horan, Kolakowski culminated a violent criminal career marked throughout by a complete contempt for the leniency which had been heaped upon him again and again in vain and ill-advised attempts at rehabilitation.

(data from Service Martyrs memo of 4/25/57
and memo from Sores to Nichols 9/25/53 re "
Special Agents Killed by Defiance")

June 2, 1964

OVERTIME

In view of the fast-breaking aspects of certain cases investigated by the FBI such as bank robberies and kidnappings, overtime services are required by the investigative staff of the FBI. During the fiscal year 1963, FBI investigative personnel performed an average of 1 hour and 14 minutes a day overtime in excess of the 1 hour and 12 minutes per day for which fringe benefits were paid.

The total overtime period performed was equal to the service of 1,526 Special Agents on a full-year basis. If it had been necessary for the FBI to hire the 1,526 Agents, the estimated cost would have been \$17,293,428. Under the fringe benefit regulations, however, the overtime was compensated only to the extent of \$5,830,630. This represents a saving to the taxpayer of \$11,462,798 when compared with the value of the total overtime performed.

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FBI PERSONNEL

Experienced career employees greatly enhance the efficiency of the FBI. Of the 6,147 Special Agents on duty as of March 31, 1964, 76.6 per cent had served more than ten years. More than 21 per cent of the noninvestigative personnel also had over 10 years' experience.

Interest in their work and alertness for more efficient ways to perform their duties are traditional among FBI employees. Indicative of their dedication are the 1,203 cash awards they earned during the 1963 fiscal year for valuable suggestions or outstanding achievements. The value of these awards totaled \$233,295.

As a career service, the FBI offers its employees ample opportunity and incentive for advancement. Promotions are based on merit. All executive and supervisory positions are filled by employees who have progressed through the ranks.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/5/64

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: DIRECTOR - FINGERPRINTS OF WALTER WINCHELL
AND VICE-PRESIDENT JOHN NANCE GARNER, 1939

Mr. Belmont	
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Miss EILEEN PERCIVAL, Off-Network Television, News Film Library, said that she was preparing a film documentary, and she was trying to determine the accuracy of a film relating to the Director taking the fingerprints of WALTER WINCHELL and JOHN NANCE GARNER, Vice-President, in 1939.

She was advised that this would be checked and she would be telephonically contacted at HA. 1-4031.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
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RE: WALTER WINCHELL
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Re Los Angeles telephone call to Bureau today.

Enclosed for Bureau is an original and Xerox copy of Air Mail envelope containing a letter, which is as follows:

"PLEASE CHECK THIS STORY..AND SAVE THIS GIRL'S LIFE!!

"ATTENTION! MR. WINCHELL:

"A 23 YEAR OLD SENSITIVE BLONDE IN BEVERLY HILLS HAS BEEN TERRORIZED FOR MONTHS BY THE EXACT SOURCE THAT CAUSED THE DEATH OF M.M. THE LAW HAS NOT GIVEN HER THE COOPERATION SHE NEEDS SO VERY VERY BADLY! HER STORY IS ON FILE AT THE F.B.I. SHE ATTENDS THE GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH. HAVE JOE DI MAGGIO GET IN TOUCH. HER INITIALS ARE M.J."

This letter was furnished to the Los Angeles Office by WALTER WINCHELL today. He indicated that he had received the letter, which was addressed to him at his New York Office, and which had been forwarded to Los Angeles for him. He states the letter had been handled by many persons since he received it. He stated he has no idea who the sender of the letter is or whom the sender is describing in the letter. He furnished for whatever action this office deemed appropriate. He did advise that he was going to run this letter in his column on Monday, 5/25/64; however, he would leave out the line "have JOE DI MAGGIO get in touch".

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The FBI Lab is requested to compare enclosed letter and envelope with submissions in case entitled "UNSUB; [REDACTED] VICTIMS, EXTORTION," Bufile 9-41823, Lab No. D-446290. This examination is requested inasmuch as circumstances indicate the possibility that this letter could be connected with above captioned case.

Results of examination should be furnished the Los Angeles Office, indicating copy for LA file 9-2993.

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To: SAC, New York

From: Director, FBI

DIRECTOR - FINGERPRINTS OF WALTER WINCHELL AND VICE PRESIDENT JOHN NANCE GARNER, 1939 RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)

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You may advise Miss Percival that my taking of the fingerprints of captioned individuals in 1939 is authentic.

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Walter Winchell OF NEW YORK

Man About Town

GOV. ROCKEFELLER'S brass say that Happy's obstetric-medics (after tapping the baby's heartbeats) predict it will be another Rocky. On or about Memorial Day . . . LBJ's visit to L. A. (originally set for 3 days, June 19, 20, 21,) has been cut to one night, the 20th . . . Movie star Vivianne



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New York Journal American
 New York, New York
 May 25, 1964

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: May 26, 1964

FROM : C. D. DeLoach

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL COLUMN
MAY 25, 1964
ANONYMOUS LETTER RE GIRL
WITH INITIALS "M. J."

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Bureau 1964 Call

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The Director noted, "Find out what W. W. is talking about. H."

SAC Grapp, Los Angeles, advised that Walter Winchell had stopped by the Los Angeles Office on Friday, May 22th, and dropped off this original letter. According to Grapp, this letter also contained a sentence indicating that the girl who is being terrorized is also acquainted with Joe DiMaggio. This letter is en route to the Laboratory for analysis according to Grapp.

Based on the information contained in the letter, the Los Angeles Office has not been able to come up with any pertinent information which would assist them in identifying the girl, "M.J.," or would assist in identifying the sender of the anonymous note. As of now the initials, "M.J." hold no special significance and a file check to attempt to locate similar anonymous communications has not been productive.

Grapp was instructed to advise the Bureau immediately of any developments which would clarify this communication.

The above is for information.

ADDENDUM:HPL:dgs 5/26/64

- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Jones

HPL:dgs
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Attached is the original communication from Los Angeles concerning this matter. The Laboratory has compared the typing in this letter with the type in the Unsub case mentioned and has determined they were not prepared on the same typewriter. Anonymous Letter File was checked without identifying this letter with data in file. The Laboratory is expediting a reply to Los Angeles.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



REPORT

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

June 3, 1964

YOUR FILE NO.

FBI FILE NO.

LATENT CASE NO. **50548**

TO: **SAC, Los Angeles**

RE: **WALTER WINCHELL
INFORMATION CONCERNING**

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REFERENCE: **Airtel 5-22-64**

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: **Los Angeles**

SPECIMENS: **Q1 and Q2, envelope and accompanying typewritten note**

No latent impressions of value developed.

Laboratory report separate.

Specimens enclosed.

Enc. (2)

1 - Los Angeles (9-2993)

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

JUN 17 1964

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Recorded: 5-28-64/8:00am
Laboratory Work Sheet

Received: 5-28-64/cbg

Re: WALTER WINCHELL
INFORMATION CONCERNING

LATENT

File # 62-31615-1199
Lab. # D-450576 HW
LC# 50540

Examination requested by: Los Angeles (62-Kew) airtel 5/22/64

Examination requested: Document-Fingerprint Date received: 5/25/64

Result of Examination: Examination by: [REDACTED]

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Compare latents in instant case with latents developed in case
UNSUB; [REDACTED] - VICTIMS, EXTORTION,
(Bufile 9-41823).

Specimens submitted for examination

- Q1 Original and photocopy of env. pm. "SANTA MONICA, CALIF. 1964
MY 18 PM" bearing tw address "MR WALTER WINCHELL & JOURNAL
AMERICAN HEARST PUBLICATIONS INC. 220 SOUTH STREET
MANHATTEN NEW YORK NEW YORK"
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"PLEASE CHECK THIS STORY..AND SAVE THIS GIRL'S LIFE...."
and ending "....HER INITIALS ARE M J."

1-Los Angeles (9-2993)

No lats. of value dev I-N-SN 5/28 9TB
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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Los Angeles previously advised that Walter Winchell received an anonymous letter which stated that a 23-year-old blonde being terrorized by the same person who caused Marilyn Monroe's suicide. The anonymous letter referred to this terrorized female as having the initials M. J., and attending the Good Shepherd Church. Winchell printed this letter in his column of 5/25/64.

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[redacted] in July, 1963, was apparently infatuated with [redacted] and implied [redacted] was contemplating marrying her. All indications at that time were [redacted] had become "rabid" concerning religion.

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Date: 5/28/64

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-5867)
 WALTER WINCHELL
 INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Remyairtel, 5/22/64.

Confidential inquiry of _____

_____ on 5/8/64 by SA _____ revealed
 person referred to by initials "M.J." in letter received
 by WALTER WINCHELL possibly identical with _____

Information concerning _____ set forth in Los Angeles
 airtel to Bureau, 12/19/63 captioned _____

INFORMATION CONCERNING _____

_____ advised _____ is the
 23-year-old, good looking, blonde daughter of _____
 She aspires to be an actress without
 apparent acting talents.

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
 Special Agent in Charge

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] believes [REDACTED] suffering mental disturbance which may be result of failure to achieve successful acting or modeling career.

No threatening letters have been received by [REDACTED] family, according to [REDACTED]

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/ [redacted] mother of [redacted] gave no indication that daughter had any relationship with or knowledge of MARILYN MONROE when she was interviewed at Los Angeles Office, 12/15/63.

No direct contacts being made with [redacted]. However, discreet efforts will be made to obtain specimens of typewriters available to them for submission to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with WINCHELL letter.

Any additional information received from [redacted] or other sources regarding this matter will be furnished to the Bureau.

June 2, 1964

REC-125 62-31615-1201

EX-102 Mr. Curtis O. Lynam
Federal Bureau of Investigation
San Francisco, California

Dear Lynam:

Thank you for your letter of May 28th.

It was certainly good of you to advise me of your
contact with Walter Winchell.

Sincerely,

JEH

MAILED 10
JUN 2 - 1964
COMM-FBI

NOTE: See M. A. Jones to DeLoach Memo of same date, captioned
"Walter Winchell, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California."

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San Francisco, California
May 26, 1964

PERSONAL

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover: ①

Walter Winchell stopped by the office today and, in his own inimical style, dictated a rambling story on tape concerning a possible suspect, or suspects, in a Los Angeles local murder case. I promised him that I would pass this information on to the proper authorities in Los Angeles.

Mr. Winchell also had incoherent information concerning a person who first called him several weeks ago in Los Angeles, giving the name of [redacted] saying he had information concerning a matter of national security. When Winchell recontacted him he refused to give the information and Winchell felt that this performer was possibly a chronic complainant of some kind.

As Mr. Winchell left the office I told him that I was quite upset over the recent article in "Life" magazine, whereupon he stated he had not seen the article. I advised him of the contents of the article and he became highly incensed and was very critical of the publishers of "Life" magazine and the writer of the article. He called his secretary and dictated an Air Mail letter to you concerning this matter and also requested historical data concerning the FBI be sent to him, and he specifically requested data concerning Agents who had been killed in line of duty and also information concerning recent FBI accomplishments. He indicated also to his secretary that he would probably do an entire column or several columns concerning the Director and the work of the FBI to indicate to the public the outstanding work that the Bureau under your leadership has done and is doing at the present time.

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Mr. Winchell also mentioned that he was in San Francisco to sign a contract for a new television series which would have the title "Stories I have Never Told Before, by Walter Winchell," which would be actual documentaries of historical events, some of which he stated would include FBI history. He stated that he wanted me to advise you that anything he did concerning the FBI on this show would be in the most favorable light. Mr. Winchell had no time table for this new television series, but stated it would be filmed in Hollywood for 20th Century Fox.

I thought you would be interested in Mr. Winchell's observations.

Best wishes and kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,


CURTIS O. LYNEM
Special Agent in Charge

FBI

Date: 6/6/64

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Remyairtel, 5/28/64.

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On 6/4/64

_____ confidentially furnished SA _____ the following information:

3- Bureau (Enc.)
2- Los Angeles

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Approved: _____
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By letter, 5/27/64, San Francisco furnished sixteen-page transcript of comments recorded by captioned individual in that office on 5/26/64. These comments relate to information previously furnished this office concerning instant anonymous letter, murder of KAREN KUPCINET, adress and daughter of Chicago columnist IRV KUPCINET, and other non-specific information.

In view of foregoing, and as no Federal violation is apparent in this matter, no further investigation being conducted, ~~WAGB~~.

Unless Advised in Contrary by Bureau

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)



Walter Winchell

OF NEW YORK AND HOLLYWOOD

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(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

B-4 Herald-Examiner
Los Angeles, Calif.

Date: 5/28/64
Edition: 8th Star
Author: Walter Winchell
Editor:
Title:

Character:
or
Classification:
Submitting Office: Los Angeles

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June 15, 1964

AIRMAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

Mr. Walter Winchell
Ambassador Hotel
Los Angeles, California

Dear Walter:

I read your column in yesterday's
"New York Journal-American" and I want to thank you
for your comments. With your typically outstanding
ability to paint word pictures, you very effectively took
"Life" to task and punched holes in Loudon Wainwright's
attack on me.

Of course, this is but another indication
of your support which we have been privileged to enjoy
over the years. You may be sure I am most appreciative.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,

John

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NOTE: Mr. Winchell is on the Special Correspondents' List.

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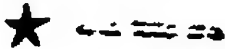
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DATE 6-9-64

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Los Angeles previously advised that Walter Winchell received an anonymous letter which stated that a 23-year-old blonde is being terrorized by the same person who caused Marilyn Monroe's suicide. The anonymous letter referred to this terrorized female as having the initials M.J., and attending the Good Shepherd Church. Winchell printed this letter in his column of 5-25-64.

[redacted] an actress reportedly without talent, in July, 1963, was apparently infatuated with [redacted] and implied [redacted] was contemplating marrying her. All indications at that time were [redacted] had become "rabid" concerning religion. [redacted] recently alleged that [redacted]

[redacted] found this allegation completely unfounded and feels [redacted] suffers mental disturbance as result of acting failures.

W.C.

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June 16, 1964

AIR MAIL

Mr. Walter Winchell
Ambassador Hotel
Los Angeles, California

Dear Walter:

I am enclosing a copy of your column concerning the "Life" magazine article as it appeared in yesterday's Congressional Record. This was printed on page A3211.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

John

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**AIRMAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY**

**Mr. Walter Winchell
Ambassador Hotel
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regarding the "Life" magazine article which
Senator Karl Mundt included in yesterday's
"Congressional Record."**

Sincerely,

~~Edgar Hoover~~
John

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LIFE MAGAZINE AND J. EDGAR HOOVER

Mr. MUNDT. Mr. President, Life magazine is one of the periodicals published in this country. I have subscribed to it for many years, and have received much enjoyment and benefit from reading it.

However, like any other periodical, it sometimes "goes off the beam." I must say that when it endeavors to mix prejudice with pictures and photography, and pulls a boo-boo, it does so with stupendous success.

I call attention to the fact that in a recent article in Life magazine a very prejudicial attempt was made to discredit one of our great American public servants—J. Edgar Hoover. The article is so patently wrong and so obviously prejudiced that it really defeats the purpose of the writer. But I do think it might be beneficial to include in the RECORD at least one critique of that particular article. In the New York Journal American for Sunday, June 14, 1964, Walter Winchell in his inimitable style addressed to "Mr. and Mrs. United States" a communication in which he discussed the unfortunate article in Life magazine.

I ask unanimous consent to have Walter Winchell's article printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the article was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

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June 15, 1964

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Mr. Walter Winchell
Ambassador Hotel
Los Angeles, California

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Dear Walter:

I have received the letter from
Edward H. Siems dated June 1st which you sent
me. I appreciate your interest in sending this
to me; however, it was necessary for me to advise
Mr. Siems that I must decline.

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Sincerely,

John

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June 12, 1964

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear John:

Many thanks for the photograph and for presenting the Runyon
Fund check.

I met several Secret Service men today at the Ambassador Hotel.
They have been making arrangements for the President's visit to Los
Angeles on June 20th. I introduced myself as "Walter Winchell of the
F.B.I.!" It didn't get the laugh I anticipated. One man said "We
are not F.B.I." I said "You don't have to tell me, I can SMELL!"

Thought you and Clyde would get a chuckle out of this.

Best,

Walter Winchell

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TO SAC LOS ANGELES

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

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INQUIRY FROM WALTER WINCHELL RE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

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PLACED IN RECORD ONLY BY SENATOR MUNDT AND CONGRESSWOMAN
ST. GEORGE. ADVISE WINCHELL.

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1 - Mr. DeLoach

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NOTE: Mr. Winchell inquired of Los Angeles Office late on Saturday
6-20-64 as to the identity of members of Congress who had inserted
his column of June 14th in the Congressional Record. He desired an
answer sometime today.

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Dear [Redacted]

Walter Winchell has sent me the copy of
your letter of June 15th addressed to "Life" magazine.
I certainly appreciate your taking this publication to task for
its attack on me and you may be sure your support means
a great deal to me.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
OF CALIFORNIA

EDWARD H. SIEMS, P.G.M.
GRAND SECRETARY
CALIFORNIA MASONIC
MEMORIAL TEMPLE
1111 CALIFORNIA STREET
SAN FRANCISCO 8, CALIFORNIA

June 1, 1964

Walter Winchell
Hotel Mark Hopkins
San Francisco 8, Calif.

Dear Mr. Winchell:

On Friday of last week you graciously offered to give an assist in bringing Director, J. Edgar Hoover to California. The purpose of his visit here would be for the Masonic fraternity to pay him honor, firstly, because he is such an outstanding citizen and has done so much in the interest of law and order, secondly, because he is an outstanding Master Mason, having been honored by being named a 33rd Degree Mason.

Some months ago an effort was made to have such a meeting in Los Angeles about the time he takes his annual vacation in La Jolla, Calif. This usually in the month of August. The correspondence at that time was with Henry C. Clausen, PGM and Sovereign Grand Inspector General in California. Mr. Clausen took part in the ceremony in Washington D.C., when the Director received his 33°.

This morning I discussed the possibility with our Grand Master, Judge Elmer W. Heald of El Centro, California. He is most enthusiastic and happy about your kind offer. We would still be pleased to honor the Director in Los Angeles, or if his schedule would permit, we extend a most cordial invitation to be a guest of the Grand of California F & AM in San Francisco, at our Annual Communication, which runs from Monday, October 12th through Friday, October 17th. If this latter suggestion would be acceptable, we would urge his arrival in San Francisco early Sunday afternoon, October 11th, since the Grand Master has his Annual Dinner for his Officers, their wives and the distinguished guests, who will be here for the Annual Communication. It is an informal dinner and will be held in the Mark Hopkins Hotel.

I sincerely appreciate your interest in helping us in this objective and for our Grand Master, his sincere

To John Elger

John Elger
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thanks and appreciation also.

I may be reached at any time at this office,
PROspect 6-7000, or my home 'phone PROspect 5-2084.

Sincerely yours,



Grand Secretary

Edward H. Siems

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

June 11, 1964

The attached communication was sent to the Director by Walter Winchell.

The letter carries the following handwritten note:

To John Edgar Hoover

John: He mentioned it and I suggested he write you an invitation. Anyway, here it is.

Walter Winchell

JUN 16 1964

Winchell
Ambassador Hotel
Los Angeles, Calif.

- MR. TOLSON
- MR. BELMONT
- MR. MOHR
- MR. W. ASPER
- MR. CALLAHAN
- MR. CONRAD
- MR. DELOACH
- MR. EVANS
- MR. GALE
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- MR. TOLSON ✓
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- MR. MOHR ✓
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June 23, 1964

Senator Karl Mundt
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senators

Thanks very much for inserting in the Congressional Record my
rebuttal to the Life Lowlifer's rap at so great an American as
Mr. G-Man.

Regards,

Walt
Walter Winchell

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Mr. Conrad	✓
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via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (80-252)
 RE: WALTER WINCHELL
 INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Los Angeles letter to Bureau 3/27/64, which enclosed Xerox copy of a letter to SAC WESLEY G. GRAPP from WALTER WINCHELL dated 3/25/64.

On the morning of 6/22/64, WALTER WINCHELL telephonically contacted SA JAMES E. HOWE, midnight to 8:00 a.m. duty Agent, Los Angeles Office. He advised that RENE MONTEVERDE, former Manager of the "Coronet" restaurant, a "high class restaurant" in Tijuana, Mexico, is a friend of his, and he is attempting to assist MONTEVERDE in a court action in which MONTEVERDE is charged with "suspicion of offering narcotics".

In his conversation, WINCHELL rehashed information he had previously furnished to the Los Angeles Office concerning the matter for which MONTEVERDE is awaiting trial and which information was originally furnished in WINCHELL's letter to Mr. GRAPP. He further stated that efforts by MONTEVERDE to locate the FBI Agent who had previously been contacting MONTEVERDE have been fruitless, and he feels that the fact that the Agent cannot be found is a "story", that may reflect on the Bureau, and Mr. WINCHELL requested that this be brought to the immediate attention of Mr. GRAPP and the Director.

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The Bureau's attention is invited to Bufile [REDACTED]

Mr. WINCHELL telephonically contacted SAC WESLEY G. GRAPP on the afternoon of 6/22/64 and stated that he felt the matter concerning the unavailability of "disappearance" of a San Diego FBI Agent could possibly be a "headline Story". He further advised Mr. GRAPP that his interest in MONTEVERDE is due to the fact that in the past, WINCHELL, while drinking and visiting the "Coronet" restaurant in Tijuana, became involved in an altercation with an individual and struck this individual on the head with a bottle. MONTEVERDE intervened in WINCHELL's behalf, and WINCHELL felt that this saved WINCHELL considerable embarrassment and trouble. He felt as a result of this, he owed MONTEVERDE a favor and in fact has loaned MONTEVERDE an undisclosed amount of money to aid in his defense.

SAC GRAPP telephonically contacted SA JOSEPH L. GERRY, presently assigned to the San Diego Office, and while speaking both to ASAC JACK KEITH, JR., and SA GERRY, determined from SA GERRY that he is completely available, has not been out of touch or unavailable during the last several months, and SA GERRY has in fact been contacted as recently as about two weeks ago by BILL ENRIGHT (PH), Attorney for MONTEVERDE. SA GERRY has been subpoenaed by both the prosecution and the defense and was recently advised by Mr. ENRIGHT that the trial in this matter has been postponed until August, 1964. SA GERRY stated that to his knowledge, MONTEVERDE has never in the past several months, made an attempt to contact him and, if he had attempted to contact him, SA GERRY would either have returned his call or spoken with MONTEVERDE.

On the afternoon of 6/22/64, SAC GRAPP telephonically contacted WALTER WINCHELL and advised him concerning the availability of SA GERRY and the fact that he has been subpoenaed by both the prosecution and the defense and will testify to the true facts concerning this case. He further advised Mr. WINCHELL that SA GERRY has not disappeared and was reached by contacting the San Diego Office of the FBI.

Mr. WINCHELL was appreciative of being furnished the true facts concerning this matter and stated he was at a loss to understand why MONTEVERDE would furnish him such false information.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

June 30, 1964

The attached letter was referred to
the Director by Walter Winchell.

- MR. TOLSON ✓
- MR. BELMONT ✓
- MR. MOHR ✓
- MR. CASPER
- MR. CALLAHAN
- MR. CONRAD ✓
- MR. DELOACH ✓
- MR. EVANS
- MR. GALE
- MR. ROSEN
- MR. SULLIVAN
- MR. TAVEL
- MR. TROTTER
- MR. JONES
- TELE. ROOM
- MISS HOLMES
- MRS. METCALF
- MISS SANDY

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Ambassador Hotel
Los Angeles, Calif.
June 26, 1964

Representative Katharine St. George
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Representative St. George:

Many thanks for inserting my column regarding John
Edgar Hoover and Life magazine in the Congressional Record.

Your kind words about me made me feel so very good.

Sincerely,

Walter Winchell

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Memorandum

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TO : MR. MOHR

DATE: 6/23/64

FROM : C. D. DE LOACH *CDD*

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL
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By reference from the Director's Office, I talked with Walter Winchell for approximately 30 minutes this morning. Mr. Winchell had received a memorandum signed by [redacted] of New York City. The memorandum accused the Director of being a communist and of causing heart attacks to various governmental dignitaries. Mr. Winchell stated he wanted us to know about this right away.

I told Mr. Winchell that we were very familiar with the rantings of [redacted] and that she was obviously a person of diseased mind. I told him [redacted] had given out these pamphlets for some period of time, both in New York City and in Washington, D. C. Mr. Winchell wanted to know why the Director did not take [redacted] to court. I told him that the Director, of course, did not want to dignify such trash by bringing on a libel suit. I further told him that we had referred this matter to the District Attorney's Office in New York and that consideration had been given to having this woman committed; however, she appears to be a wealthy woman whose family, although deploring her activities, will not have her committed.

Mr. Winchell made reference to the recent column he wrote defending the Director against the smear editorial by "Life" magazine. He stated he had received hundreds of letters and postcards praising his action in defending the Director. He stated he was irate, however, about the action of the legal staff at Hearst removing the first paragraph of his column in this connection. He then dictated what he had originally written which did not appear. This paragraph is as follows:

"MR. AND MRS. UNITED STATES: The deceitful are victims of their own exaggeration. Since they cannot reconcile stark truths with private delusions they use extremities of illogic with a base touch of malice. The latest example was reached by "Life" magazine's recent clumsy exercise of defamation directed at Number One G-Man John Edgar Hoover. Contradictory in fact and irresponsible in intent, the turgid composition is reminiscent of George Orwell's "Nightmare World" where Good is Bad."

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Memorandum Mr. DeLoach to Mr. Mohr
Re: WALTER WINCHELL

"Competence is described as cause for resignation -- democracy is scorned as demagogy -- pride is derided as self-glorification -- longevity is dismissed as dangerous -- and efficiency is denounced as one-man rule."

I expressed appreciation to Mr. Winchell for his great interest in the above regard.

Mr. Winchell talked for approximately 20 minutes about the difficulties he is having with the Hearst people. He has written Dick Berlin and Bill Hearst, Jr., asking that they explain why his columns are being edited so severely. He also wants the Director to know that he is starting a new television series in the fall which will concern his personal narration of numerous newsreel films of the past. His first program will concern the Lindberg kidnapping case. He will prominently mention the Director at that time.

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b7c Mr. Winchell was turning the [redacted] leaflet over to SAC Grapp in Los Angeles. I thanked him for his interest.

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For record purposes.

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HOME OF THE WORLD FAMOUS
Cocoanut Grove

The Ambassador

3400 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD • LOS ANGELES 6, CALIFORNIA • DUNKIRK 7-7011

Executive Office

June 30, 1964

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Casper
- Mr. Callahan
- Mr. Conrad
- Mr. DeLoach
- Mr. Evans
- Mr. Gale
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Sullivan
- Mr. Tavel
- Mr. Trotter
- Tele. Room
- Miss Holmes
- Miss Gandy

Dear John:

The following is a copy of a note to me from the girl who works for me in Los Angeles. Will you help me look good with my newest paper?

Best,

Walter Winchell

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MR. McEVOY OF THE PHOENIX EVENING AMERICAN WANTS TO KNOW IF YOU CAN FIND OUT ANYTHING FROM THE FBI ABOUT THE PHOENIX MEN LISTED BY THE WASHINGTON CALL GIRL WHO WAS PICKED UP LAST WEEK. McEVOY IS ONLY INTERESTED IN THE MEN FROM PHOENIX AND IS SENDING YOU A LIST OF THEM. THEIR NAMES HAVE NOT BEEN RELEASED AND HIS COMPETITOR PAPER (PULLIAM PAPER IN PHOENIX) CLAIMS TO HAVE THIS LIST. BUT McEVOY DOESN'T BELIEVE THEY REALLY HAVE IT.

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THE McALLISTER HOTEL and EL CENTRO DE LAS AMERICAS, Miami, Florida * THE SCHINE QUEENSBURY HOTEL and MOTOR INN, Glens Falls, New York
THE GULF STREAM HOTEL, APARTMENTS and VILLAS, Miami Beach, Florida * THE HOTEL NORTHAMPTON and WIGGINS TAVERN, Northampton, Massachusetts
THE SCHINE AIRPORT HOTEL and MOTOR INN, Bradley Airfield, between Springfield, Massachusetts and Hartford, Connecticut
GIDEON PUTNAM HOTEL, Saratoga Springs, New York * SCHINE INN, Massena, New York * SCHINE INN, Chicopee, Massachusetts * SCHINE INN, Syracuse, New York

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July 2, 1964

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Mr. Walter Winchell
The Ambassador
3400 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles 5, California

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Dear Walter:

I have received your letter of June 30th relative to the list of names seized from the girl in the Washington area who was recently arrested. Although I would like to be of assistance to you, this data was revealed through the investigation of a local law enforcement agency and I am not in a position to furnish the information you requested.

I am sorry I am unable to help in this instance but feel sure you will understand.

Sincerely,
John ✓

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NOTE: Mr. Winchell is on the Special Correspondents' List on a first-name basis. This list was seized by [redacted] during a murder investigation and was made available to the FBI by [redacted]

The original list has been returned to the District Attorney although we made a copy. It is obvious that Mr. Winchell desires to pass information on to the "Phoenix Evening American" and that it will be obvious that he obtained the data from the FBI. It is not believed that the Director should be placed in such a position particularly since the actual significance of the list is not known [redacted]

It is noted that there were several names of people from Phoenix.

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Dear [REDACTED]

Walter Winchell sent me the letter you received from "Life" magazine with your notation on it. I certainly appreciate your action in advising that publication of your objection to its attack on me. You may be sure your support means a great deal to me.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: See Morrell to DeLoach Memo dated 7/8/64 captioned "Walter Winchell."

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Dear [Redacted]

Walter Winchell sent me your letter of

June 18th in which you advise you had just written "Life" magazine to protest its attack on me. Thank you for your support and for your action in taking this publication to task.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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United States Senate
Washington, D. C.
June 25, 1964

Mr. Walter Winchell
The Ambassador
3400 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles 5, California

Dear Walters:

It is good to know that even a busy man like you takes time on occasion to read the worlds most exclusive journal!

I am glad that you came across my statement in the Congressional Record in which I offered your very effective rebuttle to Life's unfortunate and unfounded attack on your great friend and mine, J. Edgar.

Incidentally, I had you very much in mind when I was called upon by NBC to participate in a television report commemorating the Tenth Anniversary of the Army-McCarthy Hearings. Probably not you nor I shall live to see such widely publicised and controversial hearings ever again. Looking back, however, and comparing the open door policy our Committee provided for every side to be heard in public session until it was content to call it quits, with the State Department's cover up of the Otepka case and the Senate Committee cover up and "sweep under the rug" tactics in the Bobby Baker case, I am inclined to feel that the course we followed ten years ago was highly superior to the "let the public be damned" tactics which appear to be in vogue today.

With best wishes and kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Karl E. Mandt, U.S.S.

P.S. I have just had a member of my staff check my mailing list of those to whom I send my regular newsletter, "Your Washington and You" and I am disturbed to learn that you are not on that list. I am having your name added with your California address. Should you prefer the letters to be sent to another address, please let us know and we will correct it accordingly.

KEM

*Winchell to O'Loach
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